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FASTENING TO AN UPRIGHT, AND A

CORRESPONDING MOTOR VEHICLE

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Commissioner for Patents

RESPONSE

Sir

In response to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2008, reconsideration and allowance is requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Changes to the claims are shown by strike-through for deleted matter and underlining for added matter.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.